

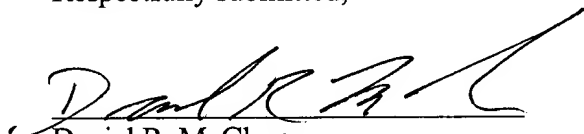
REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 12, 2004. The Office Action allowed claim 1-3 and indicated that claims 6, 7, 12, and 14 contained allowable subject matter. To facilitate the issuance of this application, the foregoing amendments ensure that allowable subject matter has been incorporated into each independent claim. Specifically, the subject matter of claim 6 has been incorporated into claim 4, and the subject matter of claim 12 (and intervening claim 11) has been incorporated into claim 9.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are now in proper condition for allowance, and respectfully request that the Examiner pass this case to issuance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this response. If, however, any fee is deemed to be payable, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted,


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